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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

26 June 1964

MEMORANDUM : Assistant to the Director  
for Public Affairs

SUBJECT : The Invisible Government

1. I have reviewed with interest the memorandum from Mr. [redacted] dated 22 June 1964, subject: The Invisible Government - A Comparison of the Page Proof of the Published Work. Two items in his memorandum are of particular interest.

2. It is noted that, on page 97, the authors have changed the title of the Intelligence Advisory Board (in page proof) to the Intelligence Advisory Committee (in book). In the previous sentence, they give the year of its establishment as 1950. In either case, the statement is inaccurate. The IAB was established in paragraph 7 of President Truman's Executive Letter of 22 January 1946. The name of the IAB was changed to the IAC on 12 December 1947.

3. The source of this inaccuracy appears to be Allen Dulles' book, The Craft of Intelligence. On page 158 of the Dulles' book, the author states:

"What President Truman refers to as 'the advisory councils of the CIA' was established in 1950 as the Intelligence Advisory Committee, which later became the United States Intelligence Board (USIB) and is often referred to as 'the intelligence community.'"

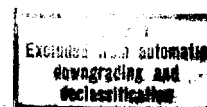
The authors of The Invisible Government state at page 97:

"By 1950 the broader outlines of the Invisible Government had begun to take shape, with the CIA at its center. In that year the Intelligence Advisory Committee was created as a board of directors of the covert government. Later its name was changed to the present United States Intelligence Board."

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4. Assuming that the Dulles book was the source of this particular quotation, this still leaves open the interesting question of why the authors, in their page proof, refer to the IAB rather than the IAC. The earlier versions of the Dulles book (galley proofs, page proofs, Encyclopedia Britannica article and the Harpers article) all refer to the IAC. Ransom's book discusses the IAC at length (which by then should have been called the USIB) but he does not refer to the 1950 date. In any event, someone with a sharp eye caught the error at the last minute and changed IAB to IAC, but that someone was not sufficiently knowledgeable to catch the wrong date.

5. Another point of interest is the change made in the book from the page proofs at page 261. In the page proof the order establishing the Special Group is given as 54-12; in the book this number is changed to 54/12. Actually, the correct number of the paper is 5412, without either hyphen or slash. The slash is only utilized for later versions of an NSC paper, so that subsequent papers would be 5412/1, etc. The source of the number of this closely held paper, therefore, was cognizant of the numbering system which utilizes the slashes but he was not sufficiently cognizant to know that the slash stands for subsequent issuances.

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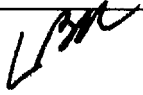
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